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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7123

BILL NUMBER: HB 1485

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 4, 2013

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Expedited EMS Certification for Military Spouse.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Forestal

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that the Emergency Medical Services Commission (Commission) shall issue a license or certificate to a military spouse who meets certain requirements. The bill allows the Commission to issue a temporary practice certificate or provisional license while the military spouse is satisfying certain requirements as determined by the Commission.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Allowing the Emergency Medical Services Commission to issue a license or certificate to a military spouse who received military training, instruction, and/or experience to perform in a capacity similar to an emergency medical service (EMS) provider is expected to have a minimal impact on the workload of the Commission.

Additional Information: The Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) reports they currently count military training, instruction, and/or experience on select applications for EMS certification and license applicants to ensure applicants' military training, instruction, and/or experience meet state requirements for certification and licensure. In cases where the IDHS determines that individuals have not met the state requirements, IDHS will advise applicants which areas they are deficient in to meet state certification/licensure requirements.

Explanation of State Revenues: By statute, the EMS Commission is authorized to charge a fee for the issuance of EMS certifications and licenses (IC 16-31-3-13.5). However, the IDHS reports no such fee for

EMS certifications/licenses has ever been established by the Commission. Any potential increase in the number of EMS certifications or licenses issued by the Commission is therefore not expected to increase state revenue.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Emergency Medical Services Commission, IDHS.

Local Agencies Affected:

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